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City Hall Election

The special election to vote on the proposition to bond the city to build a public hall will be held next Saturday. There seems to be but little interest in the matter. There isn't a person in town but what recognizes the fact that we are in great need of a hall or public meeting place, and while there is no one particularly boosting the proposition there is no one taking an active part against it. The calling of the election seems to have created no interest either way and but few have expressed themselves. Every voter should go to the polls, however, so that the result may represent the full sentiment of our people.

Folk's Appointment

The appointment of former Governor Joseph W. Folk to be Solicitor in the department of state in Washington, under Secretary Bryan, which appointment was aided by the efforts of Senators Stone and Read, instead of tending to bring the democratic factions of Missouri together, has resulted in widening the breach and opening the way for a spirited contest during the next 12 months.

Not only has the appointment not pleased the political enemies of Folk, but it also has displeased many of his friends, who do not relish the fact that the former governor probably was aided to his new position by their old enemy, United States Senator William Joel Stone. They declare they won't be placated in this manner.

It is pointed out that with Folk busy in Washington his former followers in Missouri will form an alliance with the Major forces at home in an effort to defeat Stone for the senatorial nomination next August. They are now looking to Judge W. W. Graves of the Missouri state supreme court as their candidate against Stone.

The fact that Judge Graves' term does not expire until 1918 is declared not to prevent him from entering the senatorial race in 1914.

How It Went in Maine

The result of the election in the third congressional district in Maine, which returns a republican, will be a surprise to our democratic friends who have been looking for and predicting the election of a democrat through a divided opposition vote.

It has been claimed all the time that the success of the democratic candidate would be distinct approval of the tariff reduction policy of that party. As the democrat has been defeated and is in a minority by 7,000, the democrats in congress will do well to heed the warning, for it is an impressive one under the circumstances. The whole campaign was made on the tariff issue.

For the rest the result must be inspiring to republicans all over the country. The republican vote has more than doubled since last November, while the progressive candidate is less than one-half what it was then. In fact, the republican vote shows the only increase, the democrats as well as the progressives having suffered a loss.

The canvass having been made, as it was, on national issues, this emphatic verdict of a people who in 1910 elected a democrats to congress can be accepted as pointing the way to the future restoration of republican administration.—Philadelphia Telegraph.

Some Evening Reveries

It should be the aim of all to give the girls just as broad a business education as the boys. It makes them capable of taking care of the family, if such responsibilities are placed upon them; it broadens their ideas and makes them nobler and better. Girls, as a rule, are fully as clearheaded as boys when young, but if, as is the common practice, the girls are brought up to do nothing, to think but little except of dress and amusements, they fall far behind the young man, at the age of 20, in mental ability.

What is needed is, that at home and at school, they be taught that to shine in social circles or to roll in wealth is not the highest aim of womanhood. But let them be taught to make a home joyful and happy, and yet be prepared, if necessary, for life's bitterest struggles. Let them understand thoroughly the details of every-day life, the value of all kinds of commodities used daily, how to make a check, draft, note and receipt. Let them be told the truth about themselves and about the world. They should know something about the snares and pitfalls that beset them. Let them be thoroughly impressed with the fact that on themselves, in a large degree, depends the success of the men they marry. Let them know how to cook, giving them a thorough course in the kitchen. Let them begin where their mothers left off, and we shall have a generation of girls strong, hopeful, ambitious, a self-reliant, that will elevate the men, and make a harder and more aggressive people, and thousands of firesides happier and better.

Idolence is an enemy to home. Some men are too lazy to provide decent conveniences at home. It is a crime against the happiness of the home for a man to neglect to provide the little conveniences that will add to the beauty and comfort of the home. Say, brother take out that old mildewed pillow and put in a pane of glass, it is too painful as it is. Climb up then and put the bricks on the chimney where the storm of winter blew them off. Put a carpet on the floor and a few pictures on the shelves and give your family a paper or two to read. Study to make yourself useful, and to rob home of its bleakness, by providing things that add to its comfort and brightness. Make the children feel that home is a paradise in which the thrushes of love ever sing high up in the clear blue sky of the humble heart and you will have no fear of turning out thieves and harlots in years to come.

There is no better test of purity and true goodness than reluctance to think evil of one's neighbors and absolute incapacity to believe an evil report about good men, except the most trustworthy evidence.

The ideal household is one where the parents manifest that fine courtesy that is to marriage what aroma is to a flower. Springing from mutual consideration, in time it grows to be involuntary as the act of breathing. To enumerate and classify such tokens of good breeding and fine manners is as impossible as to define music. They gild every action, they soften every vocal chord. From "morn till dewey eve" they appear and reappear.

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Notice of Special City Election

Notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of the City of Laclede that a special city election will be held in each of the wards of said city on Saturday, the 27th day of September, 1913, for the purpose of testing the sense of the qualified voters of said city upon the proposition of incurring an indebtedness and issuing the bonds of said city to the amount of Five Thousand Dollars for the purpose of purchasing a site and erecting thereon a City Hall, and furnishing the same. The polling places for said election will be as follows: In the East Ward, the law office of C. C. Bigger, and in the West Ward, the Grand Army Hall. The polls will be opened at seven o'clock a. m. and closed at six o'clock p. m. The form of the ballot to be voted at said city election will be as follows:

"Special City Election.
For increase of debt—Yes.
For increase of debt—No."

The former of which shall be taken as a vote assenting to the increase of such debt and the latter as a vote dissenting therefrom.

Done by order of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Laclede this 10th day of September, 1913
C. C. BIGGER, City Clerk.

Advice to Farmers of Moderate Means

If you have not enough money to buy and stock a farm in the prosperous western country; or if you want to get experience in irrigation farming before buying you should take a "cheap ticket" trip out to the Big Horn Basin of Wyoming, and look that wonderful country over well.

The Big Horn Basin is filled with rich, irrigated farms, and you can rent one of them on shares—fair terms and no cash payment. Then you will quickly get the experience that will teach you just what to do afterwards.

You should also look into the value of the "Carey Act" farms. Fifty cents an acre to the state, and a sum yearly to the irrigation company for water rights until fully paid. You do not have to live on the land to acquire title.

The very best markets are close at hand, so you can sell at top prices all the alfalfa, potatoes, wheat, oats, dairy products and fruit that you can raise. It is true therefore, that these farm lands today priced at a low figure, will in a few years' time be worth big money. That always the history when such lands are open to extensive markets.

Write me at once and I will tell you more about it. I am paid by the C. B. & Q. railroad to do this, and to help you find just what suits you.

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